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Response to Amendment

1. The amendment filed on May 03 2005 cancelling all claims drawn to the elected invention (action on the merits filed on March 24, 2005), and presenting only new claims 21-38 drawn to a non-elected invention is non-responsive (MPEP Section 821.03). The originally filed claims 1-20, directed to a method and system for tracing an electronic device transmitting identifying indicia over a global network, the electronic device connectable to a network server through the global network and includes automatically monitoring communications over the global network to identify data transmitted through the global network that contains identifying indicia and upon identification of data transmitted through the global network that contains the identifying indicia, determining the location of the electronic device by tracing the source of the identifying indicia within the global network, which invention is distinct from the invention of new claims 21-38, directed to a method, a machine-readable medium and a system for determining a position of an electronic device within a wide area network and include detecting a physical separation of the electronic device and an associated user and intercepting data of a communication between the electronic device and a second network element including identifying indicia in response to the physical separation and determining a physical position of the electronic device within the wide area network in response to an interception of the identifying indicia.

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Conclusion

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